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MAYOR APPOINTS **COMMISSION TO** REPORT ON VICE

To Conduct Thorough Investigation and Suggest Remedy.

NAMES FIFTEEN ON MIXED BOARD

Representative Ministers and Social Workers Form City's First Official Body Charged With Duty of Grappling With Evil-Mayor's Letter to Members.

Dr. M. D. Hoge, Jr., medical doctor, Board of Health, Rev. B. H. Melton, minister Christian

Since taking office more than a year ago Mayor Ainslie has given earnest thought to the problem and has familiarized himself with the most advanced investigations conducted in this country and abroad. His decision to seek further light on the problem through the agency of a commission to investigate the local situation is in line with the best practice of other American municipalities.

POSTPONEMENT ANNOUNCED

Fifth Pan-American Conference Will Not Be Held in September. Santiago, Chile, March 17.—The post-ponement is amnounced to-day of the fifth Pan-American Conference, which was to have been held here in September. It will not take place before the end of November.

Under Commission Government There Is Chance to Dodge Responsibility.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

Minneapolis, March 17.—"I am in favor of the Federal plan of municipal government," declared William Howard Taft to-day in addressing the Minneapolis Civic and Commerce Chamber, "The opportunity of dodging responsibility exists under commission government.

FIVE POSTMASTERS NAMED

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Wilson to-day sent the nominations of five Virginia postmasters to the Senate, as follows:

Richard P. Barham, Petersburg; John S. White, Charlottesville; John B. Nordeet, Suffolk; L. E. Stephenson, Wakefield; W. C. Lauck, Luray.

Senator Martin, accepting the courtesy usually extended of allowing Senators to name the postmasters for their home towns, some time ago recommended the appointment of White, which was concurred in by Congressman Hay, representing that district, Mr. White was a member of the Legislature two years ago from Albemarle, He is a son of the late Judge John M. White. His nomination was promptly confirmed this afternoon, and he will be commissioned in a few days.

Congressman Watson recommended the appointment of Barham and Stephenson several months ago, and they were held up until a few days before the term of the present postmasters expire. Barham is an ex-Confederate solder, and formerly editor of the Petersburg Index-Appeal.

Congressman Hay recommended the appointment of Lauck at Luray, and although opposition was made to him by Attorney-General Pollard, he was nominated. He is editor of the Luray News and Courier.

Norfleet was recommended for postmaster at Suffolk by Congressman Holland.

MAY ASK FOR ADVICE

Colouisi Oil Company Contemplates
Liquidation of its Business.

New York, March 17.—Unable to find a purchaser for its properties other than Standard Oil interests, the Colonial Oil Company, a former subsidiary of the Standard Oil of New Jersey, contemplates asking the Department of Justice for advice for liquidation of its business.

BISHOP RANDOLPH DECLINES

church Duties Prevent His Officiating at Roosevelt-Willard Wedding.
Norfolk, Va., March 17.—Owing to pressing diocesan duties, Bishop Alreed Magill Randolph, of the Diocese of Southern Virginia, has been compelled to decline an invitation from Ambassador and Mrs. Joseph E. Willard, at the court of Spain, to visit the embassy in Madrid in April and officiate at the marriage of their daughter to Kermit Roosevelt, son of former President Theodore Roosevelt.

The Invitation was borne to Bishop

TILLMAN HEALTH ADVOCATE

System of Physical Exercises to Be Printed in Congressional Record. [Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Washington, March 17.—Senator Tillman's system of physical exercise, by which he restored himself to fairly good health after an attack of paralysis, is to be printed in the Congressional Record. Tillman recently described these curative exercises in a magazine atticle, and asked to-day to have it reproduced. Deep breathing, hot water, and mild exercises comprise his program.

Members of the commission appointed by the Mayor are:
Dr. J. T. Mastin, secretary State
Board of Charities and Corrections.
G. L. Wilcox, vice-president Central
Trade and Labor Council.
Rev. Lloyd T. Wilson, pastor Grace
Street Baptist Church.
Rev. E. N. Calisch, rabbi Beth
Ahabah Synagogue.
Rev. J. W. Dixon, superintendent
Methodist Institute for Christian Work,
Mrs. William A. Burrows, president
Federation of Mothers' Club.
W. T. Reed, president Chamber of
Commerce.
Rev. F. T. McFaden, pastor First
Presbyterian Church.
Mrs. Sam Cohen, president Ladies'
Hebrew Benevolent Association.
Eppa Hunton, Jr., attorney at law.
Rev. John J. Gravatt, pastor Holy
Trinity Protestant Episcopal Church.
J. W. Nokely, president Medill
Catholic Union.
Miss Sarah Roller, female probation
officer, Juvenile Court.
Dr. M. D. Hoge, Jr., medical doctor.

Board of Health.

Rev. B. H. Melton, minister Christian Church.

Same System Since 1905.

The segregated district as now constituted was created by the police authorities in 1905 in an effort to rid West Broad Street and residential streets in other parts of the city of conditions which the police found difficult to control. The movement was regarded by the best thought of the day as a step in the direction of reform, and according to police records, has worked a marked improvement in conditions when compared with the status of the evil prior thereto.

Founded during the regime of Mayor Carlton McCarthy, the system of segregation received the attention of the succeeding executives—Mayor Richardson and Mayor Ainsile—and was continued as the best method of dealing with the evil.

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Delayed Because of Unrest.

Washington, March 17.—No official notification of the postponement of the Pan-American Conference nor the reasons therefor had been received by officials of the State Department nor the Pan-American Union to-day, but the general understanding among the diplomatists was that it had been delayed because of the general unrest in Latin-Amelrea.

sponsibility exists under commission government.

"Under the Federal system one man is put at the head of the city and given the power to appoint the heads of departments. Let him be judge of the experts and then let him work out his theories.

"Politicians are loath to tell you that the people cannot select these experts, but I do not hesitate to say so—the people cannot.

"I want at this time, with all the power that is in me, to condemn this new-styled nostrum of the recall of judges. The people are not able to act quickly overnight and do justice and equity."

STUDENTS ON STRIKE

Savannah, Ga., March 17.—Approximately 100 students of the Savannah High School, together with a few grade students, went on strike to-day because they were refused permission to march in a St. Patrick's Day parade. Trouble between B. P. Pickett, principal of the high school, and John II. Hudson, instructor in mathematics, which resulted in suspension of the latter, is said to have been a contributory cause of the strike.

TENSE SITUATION FOLLOWS KILLING OF FIGARO EDITOR

French People Stirred Perfect Discipline Shown Rebels Hard Pressed by More Than at Any Time in Years.

SEVERAL CHANGES STRUCTURE LEFT

but Not Thought Entire Ministry Will Quit-Stormy Debate in Chamber of Deputies-Long Smoldering Scandals Revived.

et of discrediting the government at

For the most part, the crowds com-prised curious spectators, although rowdies attempted hostile demonstra-

Many Arrests Made.

police had no difficulty in hanthem, however, and made many tion was called out by Leon Daudet, the leader. He mounted a table out-

cell-known boulevard cafe and attacked M. Caillaux in violent terms to the accompaniment of shouts of "Down with the assassin, Caillaux." M. Henion, Prefect of Paris, com-manding a large body of police, hur-ried the manifestants up and down the

boulevard and finally scattered them, the Royalists fleeing with shouts of "Down with the republic. Long live

another Royalist leader, heroines outside the

and made short work of the mobs, fire

strations by Socialists and Radicals.

The first consequence of the shooting of M. Calmette was to fan into white heat the long smoldering Rochette scandal. The Figaro last week made reference to a secret report concerning M. Fabre, which already had been the subject of an animated debate in the chamber, M. Delahaye utilizing it to attack the government. The government, however, succeeded in temporarily shelving it.

Mme. Caillaux was visited to-day by her husband, who spent nearly an hour in her company. She will be defended by M. Labori, the noted advocate, Henri Robert, considered the most celebrated lawyer in France, was asked to defend Mme. Caillaux, but refused on the ground that he was a close personal friend of M. Calmette. M. Labori offered the same objection, but finally consented to serve "for the sake of humanity."

Calmette.
"Now, he is gone," said M. Dela-

"Now, he is gone, said at you, "his memory must be defended." M. Trouin, interrupting, called out: M. Trouin, interrupting, carted out.
"That is not necessary."
Deputy Delahaye replied: "We will
defend a hero, who, doing his duty,
has been assassinated. It has been
said that M. Calmette intended to pubprivate letters-"
voice from the Socialist left: "Is

that true?"

M. Delahaye: "I say that is false.
M. Calmette declared to me that he had no intention of publishing private letters." Congratulates Woman.

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During the day Deputy Thalamas, of Versailles, circulated in the lobbles of the chamber a copy of a letter he had sent to Mme. Calliaux congratulating her on killing M. Calmette. The language of the letter was extremely violent against what he termed "the filthy press." He condoned the killing, and ended his letter with "Bravo."

M. Delnhaye read this letter to members of the chamber amid indignant exclamations from the centre and the Conservative right.

The debate became more and more stormy.

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M. Delahaye concluded with a viru-M. Delahaye concluded with a viru-lent attack on the government.
"Formerly," he exclaimed, "ministers justly accused blew but their brains. Nowadays they send their wives to kill those who stand in their path."

The existence of what is known as

(Continued On Third Page.)

HUNDREDS ESCAPE IN SAFETY FROM **BURNING BUILDING**

by Wellesley Faculty and Students.

MADE IN CABINET BLACKENED SHELL

M. Caillaux Resigns His Post, Marked Coolness and Bravery Shown by Young Women When Aroused From Sleep. Wreckage Represents Loss of \$900,000, - College Closes Till April 7.

> part of students and faculty members prevented loss of life or injury, when College Hall, oldest of the Wellesley College buildings, was burned to-day. Two hundred and fifty young wo-men students, fifty instructors and fifsnoke-filled hallways, suffered so much as a scratch,
> ven
> The building was left a blackened shell. Within its crumbled walls was

however, indi-on of the min-on of the min-

caped in scanty attire. Insurance will amount to about \$600,000.

Miss Ellen Fitz Pendleton, president of the institution, said another structure would be erected in the near fu-

College Ordered Closed.
On account of the fire, the entire college was ordered closed until April 7, the end of the Easter recess. Nearly 1,000 of the 1,300 young women had

left for their homes to-night. President Pendleton took occasion to praise the conduct of the students as 'extraordinary."

drill was a credit to the college. There were no screams or cries heard, and this in itself showed perfect and marvelous control."

College 11.

College Hall had a commanding site on a hill east of Lake Waban. The corner-stone was laid in 1871. The building was of brick and stone, with an interior of wooden fittings. It was five stories high, with a floor space of the college was a specific by 120 feet.

The building was divided into dor-mitories, administrative offices and quarters for servants.

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Charlotte Donnell of Wi

and made short work of the mobs.
The police were ordered to repress all anti-Caillaux outbursts, both because they were disorderly and because they were provocative of counter-demonstrations by Socialists and Radicals.

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There are twenty-seven now in the contest, and the race has just been started.

Boys and girls, this is a chance for you to show your affection for and appreciation of YOUi teacher. Cut the coupons every day

from The Times-Dispatch and give your teacher an opportu-nity of winning the \$500.00 piano-player. Monroe I

MEXICAN BATTLE RAGES FIERCELY THROUGHOUT DAY

Force of Federals at Escalon.

ONLY BARE FACTS OF ENGAGEMENT

Both Sides Reinforced During Past Few Days in Preparation for Attack on Torreon. Country Is Desert, and Problem of Furnishing Water Is Serious.

army at Escalon, an important rail-road town 100 miles north of Torreon, and both sides have been reinforced. The battle is said to have raged flerce-

and beyond. On each side of the road are mountains. They for ten miles are marked with rifle pits, dug in previous revolutions. It is reported that the Federals moved out of Torreon in two details. two detachments, pursuant to or from Provisional President Huerta.
One detachment is said to have moved

west of the railroads, with mountains between it and the road, while the main fifty-five miles north of Escale

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main battle at Escalon, appar

ring the Velasco at 7,000 to 9,000, adding

call the girls," he rapidly was being reinforced.

A fortnight ago rebel generals, under

THAW CASE COST \$43,615

Attorney-General Makes Report to Legislature on Expenses Incurred.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Albany, N. Y., March 17.—AttorneyGeneral Carmody sent to the Legislature to-day a report of the expenses
incurred by the State in pursuing Harry
Thaw since his escape from Matteawan.

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The amount is \$43,615, of which \$25,600 is Jerome's fee, plus \$1,250 for his
expenses. Large sums went to Canadian lawyers, as follows:

T. C. Casgrain, Montreal, \$1,000; Hector Verret. Coatloook, \$1,500; Jacob
Nicol, of Seabrooke, \$900, and Jacobs,
Hall, Couture & Fitch, of Montreal,
\$5,000.

Bernard Jacobs, of Lancaster, N. H.,
201 \$5,000 counsel fees. John Lanyon,
of a detective agency of New York,
charged \$1,463.

In his report the Attorney-General
gave a full history of the proceedings,
which now rest on a habeas corpus
writ before Judge Aldrich in the Federal Court at Concord, N. H. The Attorney-General concludes:

"It is reasonable to expect a final decision in the proceedings within a
month. Within a short time there will
probably be an appeal taken to the
United States Supreme Court, in which
appeal the State of New York will require representation. The charges of
Mr. Jacobs, of New Hampshire, and Mr.
Jerome cover not only past services
rendered, but any future services in
this case."

A bill to pay the expenses was introduced in the Senate by Senator Frawley, but met with immediate objection
from Senator Wende, of Buffalo, who
announced his unalterable opposition to
"any more expenditures on that young
scoundrel."

As the obligation was contracted in
good faith by the Attorney-General,
much interest centres in whether the
Legislature will repudiate the debt. A
bill against further Thaw prosecution
is pending in the Assembly.

CHARGES AGAINST II. S. HIDGE

CHARGES AGAINST U. S. JUDGE

Labor Men Accuse Jurist Who Presided at Trials in Indianapolis.

Washington, March 17.—Labor men convicted recently in the dynamiters' cases to-day made six charges against the conduct of Judge Albert B. Anderson, of Indianapolis, who presided at the famous trial.

The charges are made in a petition filed with Attorney-General McReynolds, asking pardons for President Frank M. Ryan and the thirty-five members of the Bridge and Structural from Workers' Union, who were convicted with him.

The petition is based on the grounds that the convicted men are innocent of the crime charged against them, and that they did not have a fair and impartial trial before Judge Anderson.

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the crime charged against them, and that they did not have a fair and impartial trial before Judge Anderson. In the petition and supplementary letter to President Wilson, Attorney Elijah N. Zoline, of Chicago, who came to Washington in person to tile the papers, details the charges. It is declared that Judge Anderson refused to allow exceptions to his rulings; seized every opportunity to make long comments upon the facts calculated to show that the defendants were guilty; threatened and intimidated witnesses whose testimony was not favorable to the prosecution; ridiculed, threatened and intimidated counsel for the defense in the presence of the jury. The Department of Justice will forward the charges to Indianapolis, with a request that Judge Anderson make a specific reply.

M'ADOO ISSUES WARNING

be given out. I earnestly hope that it will not develop during this adminiswill not develop during this adminis-tration or during any succeeding one that any employe of this department could be so faithless as to violate the laws of his country or be indifferent to his trust."

STATE TO HANDLE CASE

ALLEN OUTLAWS MAY GET PAROLE **UNDER NEW BILL**

Gives Prison Board the Right to Grant It After Three Years.

NOT YET SIGNED BY GOV. STUART

Hobson Says Measure Was Rushed Through House in Closing Hour Without Explanation as to Its Full Intent-Call Matter to Governor's Attention.

in the State Ponitentiary, may be paroled by the penitentiary board within the next two years. The present law provides that the board may parole a prisoner who has served one-half of his term if he has kept the prison rules. The General Assembly amended that

friends and opponents of the Allens for and against approval.

Allen Friends Urged It.
While strong denials came from some
f the people who were unfaltering in up in the House on Saturday night and went through in a rush that carried with it scores of local measures.

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Graham B. Hobson said yesterday that when the bill was called up in the House he asked for an explanation as to the changes, and was informed that it was merely a technical amendment to meet a trivial defect.
"I have since found," said Mr. Hobson last night, "that the whole aim and purpose of the bill was to fix it so that the Allens can be puroled after they have served three years. Had proper information been given when the matter came up for concurrence I would most certainly have voted against it. While it may be said that it was not put through simply to get pardons for the Allens, I think the people generally will agree that that waits object, especially when we find now that some of the champion Aller sympathizers were belind it. The effort, therefore, to have the Governor veto it is, to my mind, eminently proper."

The bill, which passed the House after its passage in the Senate, is, Senate bill No. 442, with Senator Lesner, of Navigalia. ate bill No. 442, with Senator Lesner, of Norfolk, as patron. Section 1 provides: "When it appears to the board of directors of the penitentiary that a prisoner in that institution who was sentenced to the penitentiary for any crime has served out half of his term of imprisonment for which he was sentenced. OR HAS SERVED THREE VEARS OF SAID TERM, that he has kent the prison rate.

on syell "re" but commanded: "Put on your wraps quickly."

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started young women. Some carried personal effects in their series, but the personal effects in the person

At Fort Bliss to-day the wireless station occasionally spluttered out detached Spanish words, but they were unintelligible and their source was unknown.

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